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The term "consisting essentially of" only excludes those materials which materially affect the novel and basic characteristics of the claimed invention, MPEP 211.03 not that of the prior art and it is therefore immaterial what effect PPE has on Laughners invention. Furthermore there is nothing in the applicants specification indicating that low impact strength (such as applicants appear to possibly allege results from elimination of PPE) is a novel and basic element of applicants invention.

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